United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service Career Intern Program Announcement Open Period: July 24, 2008-August 20, 2008

Announcement Number: 08-FCIP-002

Job Title, Series, Grade: Program Analyst, GS-0343-07/09, PD# 08z218 and

08z219

Salary Range: GS-07 step 1: \$39,330

GS-09 step 1: \$48,108

Promotion Potential: GS-12 (Currently, \$69,764)

Duty Location: Alexandria, VA

Who May Be Considered: US Citizens

Duties: The incumbent serves as a program specialist in

the Certification Policy Branch performing the

following major activities: regulations

development; interpretation of food stamp policy through notices, memos, and oral responses; working with quality control arbitrator; developing technical assistance guides;

responding to waivers; participating in disaster

responses.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be U.S. Citizens.

Qualification Requirements:

Specialized Experience:

For the GS-07 level: Fifty-two weeks of experience at the GS-05 level, or equivalent, that has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position. Specialized experience includes performing duties in support of a social service program; AND preparing written documents related to the program.

For the GS-09 level: Fifty-two weeks of experience at the GS-07 level, or equivalent, that has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position. Specialized experience includes performing portions of projects or studies related to social service programs; AND preparing written documents associated with those projects or studies (e.g., work papers).

Education

For the GS-07 level: 1 full academic year of graduate education or law school or superior academic achievement.

For the GS-09 level: 2 full academic years of progressively higher level graduate education or masters or equivalent graduate degree or LL.B. or J.D in a related field.

SOME SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE IS PERMISSABLE.

How to Apply: Submit the following materials, no later than the closing date, to the HR Specialist:

- 1. USDA Career Intern Program Application (available on-line at http://www.usda.gov/da/employ/CareerInternApplication.htm)
- 2. An application (examples: Optional Application for Federal Employment, OF 612; or résumé). Include the vacancy identification number on all faxed documents. The application must include work experience, training, education, and awards relevant to the qualifications requirements. For work experience, specify the dates, grade level (if applicable), and the number of hours worked per week. For training or self-development activities, specify course titles, classroom hours completed and dates. **Do not send position descriptions.**
- 3. For Applicants Claiming Veterans' Preference: Form DD-214 or other official documentation from a branch of the Armed Forces or the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Eligibles claiming 10-point preference must also submit an Application for 10-Point Veteran Preference, <u>SF-15</u>, along with the required documentation listed on the back of the form. (For more information on Veterans' programs, please see the <u>VetsInfo Guide</u>)
- 4. <u>The following materials are recommended</u>: A copy of a college transcript or a list of college course.

Application packages must be submitted **by the closing date**, via email or fax, to the following contact (mailed applications will not be accepted):

Jessica Stout- HR Specialist

Fax: 304-480-8358

Email: Jessica.stout@bpd.treas.gov

For Questions:

Jessica Stout 304-480-8336

EEO Statement:

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Reasonable Accommodation Policy Statement:

Federal agencies must provide reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process should contact the hiring agency directly. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.